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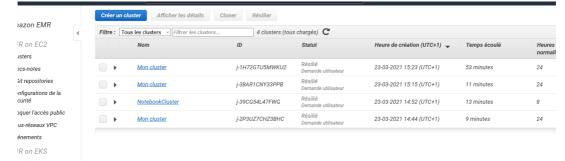
Spark cluster creation in AWS

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Once connected to the management console, search for "EMR" (Elastic Map Reduce). It a platform as a service made to manage Hadoop cluster in AWS. You just have to choose the configuration of your cluster (how many machines? How many CPU/Ram? Which release for Spark?) and AWS will create your cluster. Doing this all by yourself is time consuming and not a pleasant task. That's why cloud providers provide service like EMR.

\square You should land on a page like this Informations Amazon EMR Bienvenue dans Amazon Elastic MapReduce supplémentaires EMR on EC2 Amazon Elastic MapReduce (Amazon EMR) est un service Web qui permet aux commerces, aux chercheurs, Clusters En savoir plus sur Elastic I analystes de données et aux développeurs de traiter de grandes quantités de données de manière simple Présentation d'EMR Blocs-notes FAQ Tarification Git repositories Apparemment, vous n'avez aucun cluster. Créez-en un maintenant Configurations de la sécurité En savoir plus sur l'utilisat d'Elastic MapReduce Bloquer l'accès public Fonctionnement d'Elastic MapReduce Sous-réseaux VPC Manuel du développeur Créer Contrôle Charger EMR on EKS Portail d'aide Virtual clusters Aide Nouveautés Téléchargez les données et l'application de traitement sur S3. spécifiant les entrées et les sorties de votre cluster. Récupérez la sortie

Next time it should be this one



In every cases click on Créer un cluster

 \square One the next page, select this configuration :

Nom du cluster : A descriptive name, like Cluster_First_Step_With_Spark
 □ Journalisation : uncheck it. It's only to save in S3 the log of your cluster. It's useful to debug your application when you run un script and not a notebook.
 □ Mode de lancement : Cluster. The difference between Cluster et Exécution d'étape is that Cluster create a cluster made for interactive processing,

and Exécution d'étape create a cluster, run one or several script and stop it

- at the end. It's useful to run long processes not for data exploration.

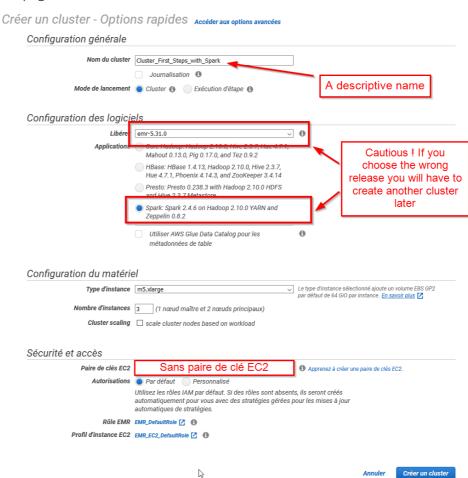
 Libérée (Release en VO): emr-5.31.0, others versions have some issues
- ☐ Type d'instance : https://pickerwheel.com/pw?id=LkjX5 spin to know your instance type. Those instances are the ones you can access with a educate account.
- Nombre d'instance : 3, but every number between 2 and 6 should be fine (max 4 for c5.xlarge et m4.2xlarge).

Here is a table with the hourly price of some instances just to give you an idea of the cost of an EMR cluster

Instance	Hourly price per instance
m4.xlarge	0.26
m5.xlarge	0.24\$
m5.2xlarge	0.48\$
c4.large	0.12\$
c5.xlarge	0.21\$

- Paire de clé EC2 : select Sans paire de clé EC2 Ok Aucune paire de clé trouvée
- ☐ Then click on Créer un cluster

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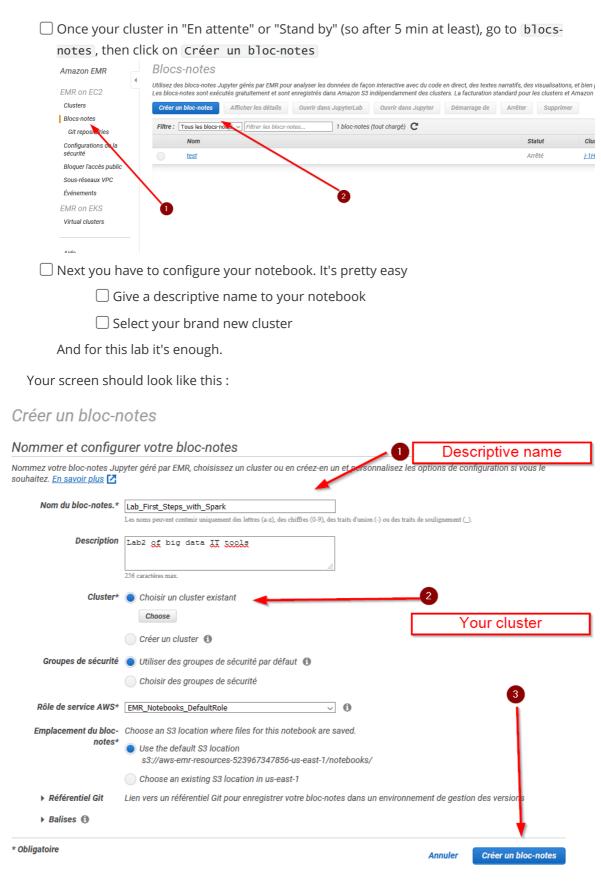


It's possible you get an error like this one:

Résilié avec des erreursThe requested instance type m5.xlarge is not supported in the requested availability zone. Learn more at https://docs.aws.amazon.com/console/elasticmapreduce/ERROR noinstancetype

The physical resources of AWS's datacenters are not unlimited, and AWS keeps some room for manoeuvre for top priority users. So sometimes we, low priority users, cannot use some resources. If this problem happens, just recreate a cluster with a less powerful machine, like m4.xlarge

The cluster creation takes time (around 5 min), please wait

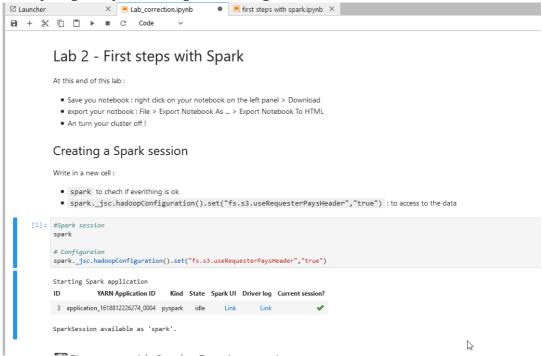


The notebook creation should be fast. Once your notebook is ready click on Ouvrir dans JupyterLab. This will open JupiterLab. Create a notebook with a pyspark kernel and run the following line

```
#spark session
spark

# Configuration
spark._jsc.hadoopConfiguration().set("fs.s3.useRequesterPaysHeader","
true")
```

If everything is ok you should get something like this after one or two minutes.



If not, just check if your cluster is En attente. If not, just wait, if so, ask for help.

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First steps with Spark - Data importation

Spark's main object class is the DataFrame, which is a distributed table. It is analogous to R's or Python (Pandas)'s data frames: one row represents an observation, one column represents a variable. But contrary to R or Python, Spark's DataFrames can be distributed over hundred of nodes.

Spark support multiple data formats, and multiple ways to load them.

- data format : csv, json, parquet (an open source column oriented format)
- can read archive files
- schema detection or user defined schema. For static data, like a json file, schema detection can be use with good results.

Spark has multiple syntaxes to import data. Some are simple with no customisation, others are more complexes but you can specify options.

The simplest syntaxes to load a json or a csv file are:

```
1  # JSON
2  json_df = spark.read.json([location of the file])
3  # csv
4  csv_df = spark.read.csv([location of the file])
5
```

In the future, you may consult the <u>Data Source documentation</u> to have the complete description of Spark's reading abilities.

The data you will use in this lab are real data from the twitter <u>sampled stream API</u> and <u>filtered stream API</u>. The tweets folder contains more than 50 files and more than 2 million tweets. The tweets was collected between the 14/04/2021 and the 18/04/2021. The total collection time was less than 10 hours.

Hands-on 1 - Data importation

- Load the json file store here: s3n://spark-lab-input-dataensai20202021/tweets/tweets20210414-143312.jsonl.gz and name you data frame df_tweet
 - This file is an a JSONL (JSON-line) format, which means that each line of it is a JSON object. A JSON object is just a Python dictionary or a JavaScript object and looks like this: { key1: value1, key2: ["array", "of", "many values]}). This file has been compressed into a GZ archive, hence the .jsonl.gz ending. Also this file is not magically appearing in your S3 storage. It is hosted on one of your teacher's bucket and has been made public, so that you can access it.
- It's possible to load multiple file in a unique DataFrame. It's useful when you have daily files and want to process them all. It's the same syntax as the previous one, just specify a folder. Like s3n://spark-lab-input-data-ensai20202021/tweets/. Name you DataFrame df_tweet_big

Now you have two DataFrames 🕭.

Remember that **Spark is lazy**, in the sense that it will avoid at all cost to perform unnecessary operations and wait to the last moment for performing only the duly requested computations. (Maybe you remember that R is lazy in that sense, but Spark is one degree more lazy than R.)

- Knowing that, do you think that when you run <code>spark.read.json()</code>, the data is actually migrated from S3 to the cluster? If you want some data to be actually loaded, you can use the <code>show(n)</code> method (omitting <code>n</code> defaults to 20).
- Each time you will transform this DataFrame, the data will be transferred to your cluster. To avoid that, you need to cache your two DataFrame with the cache() method.

Sparks has very loose constraints on what you can actually store in a DataFrame column. The objects we just imported are actually quite messy.

• Use the printschema() method to see the structure of one object.

Spark's DataFrames are immutable: there is no method to alter one specific value once one is created. This on purpose: mutations are famously hard to track, and Spark want to track them in order to avoid unnecessary computations. Suppressing mutations is actually the the best way to track changes.

Also, **DataFrames are distributed over the cluster**: they are split into blocks, ill-named **partitions** ¹, that are stored separately in the memory of the workers nodes. Since Spark is lazy evaluation, all reading and intermediary computation is only kept in memory as your data are being processed.



If DataFrames are immutable, they can however be *transformed* in other DataFrames, in the sense that a modified copy is returned. Such *transformations* include: filtering, sampling, dropping columns, selecting columns, adding new columns...

First, you can get information about the columns with:

```
df.columns # get the column names
df.schema # get the column names and their respective type
df.printSchema() # same, but human-readable
```

You can select columns with the <code>select()</code> method. It takes as argument a list of column name. For example :

```
df_with_less_columns = df\
    .select("variable3","variable_four","variable-6")

# Yes, you do need the ugly \ at the end of the line,
# if you want to chain methods between lines in Python
```

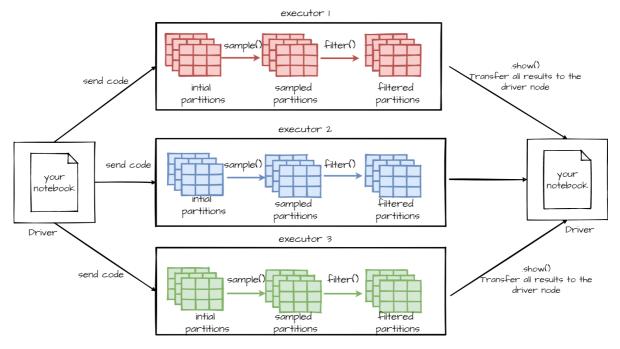
You can get nested columns easily with:

```
1 df.select("parentField.nestedField")
```

To filter data you could use the filter() method. It take as input an expression that gets evaluated for each observation and should return a boolean. Sampling is performed with the sample() method. For example :

```
df_with_less_rows = df\
    .sample(fraction=0.001)\
    .filter(df.variable1=="value")\
    .show(10)
```

As said before your data are distributed over multiple nodes (executors) and data inside a node are split into partitions. Then each transformations will be run in parallel. They are called *narrow transformation* For example, to sample a DataFrame, Spark sample every partitions in parallel because sample all partition produce the sample DataFrame. For some transformations, like <code>groupBy()</code> it's impossible, and it's cannot be run in parallel.



All partition can be processed in parallel

Lazy evaluation

This is because Spark has what is known as **lazy evaluation**, in the sense that it will wait as much as it can before performing the actual computation. Said otherwise, when you run an instruction such as:

```
1 | tweet_author_hashtags = df_tweet_big.select("auteur","hashtags")
```

... you are not executing anything! Rather, you are building an **execution plan**, to be realised later.

Spark is quite extreme in its laziness, since only a handful of methods called **actions**, by opposition to **transformations**, will trigger an execution. The most notable are:

- 1. collect(), explicitly asking Spark to fetch the resulting rows instead of to lazily wait for more instructions,
- 2. take(n), asking for n first rows
- 3. first(), an alias for take(1)
- 4. show() and show(n), human-friendly alternatives ²
- 5. count(), asking for the numbers of rows
- 6. all the "write" methods (write on file, write to database), see here for the list

This has advantages: on huge data, you don't want to accidently perform a computation that is not needed. Also, Spark can optimize each **stage** of the execution in regard to what comes next. For instance, filters will be executed as early as possible, since it diminishes the number of rows on which to perform later operations. On the contrary, joins are very computation-intense and will be executed as late as possible. The resulting **execution plan** consists in a **directed acyclic graph** (DAG) that contains the tree of all required actions for a specific computation, ordered in the most effective fashion.

This has also drawbacks. Since the computation is optimized for the end result, the intermediate stages are discarded by default. So if you need a DataFrame multiple times, you have to cache it in memory because if you don't Spark will recompute it every single time.

Hands-on 2 - Data frame basic manipulations

- How many rows have your two DataFrame?
- Sample df_tweet_big and keep only 10% of it. Create a new DataFrame named df_tweet_sampled. If computations take too long on the full DataFrame, use this one instead or add a sample transformation in your expression.
- Define a DataFrame tweet_author_hashtags with only the auteur and hashtags columns
- Print (few lines of) a DataFrame with only the auteur, mentions, and urls columns. (mentions and urls are both nested columns in entities.)
- Filter your first DataFrame and keep only tweets with more than 1 like. Give a name for this new, transformed DataFrame. Print (few lines of) it.

8 Basic DataFrame column manipulation

You can add/update/rename column of a DataFrame with spark:

- Drop: df.drop(columnName : str)
- Rename: df.withColumnRenamed(oldName : str, newName : str)
- Add/update: df.withColumn(columnName : str, columnExpression)

For example

```
tweet_df_with_like_rt_ratio = tweet_df\
withColumn(  # computes new variable
  "like_rt_ratio", # like_rt_ratio "OVERCONFIDENCE"
  (tweet_df.like_count /flights.retweet_count
)
```

See <u>here</u> for the list of all functions available in an expression.

Hands-on 3 - Basic DataFrame column manipulation

- Define a DataFrame with a column names interaction_count. This column is the sum of like_count, reply_count and retweet_count.
- Update the DataFrame you imported at the beginning of this lab and drop the other column

MAdvance DataFrame column manipulation

Array manipulation

Some columns often contain arrays (lists) of values instead of just one value. This may seem surprising but this actually quite natural. For instance, you may create an array of words from a text, or generate a list of random numbers for each observation, etc.

You may create array of values with:

split(text: string, delimiter: string), turning a text into an array of strings

You may use array of values with:

• size(array: Array), getting the number of elements

- array_contains(inputArray : Array, value : any), checking if some value appears
- explode(array: Array), unnesting an array and duplicating other values. For instance it if use explode() over the hashtags value of this DataFrame:

Auteur	Contenu	Hashtags
Bob	I love #Spark and #bigdata	[Spark, bigdata]
Alice	Just finished #MHrise, best MH ever	[MHrise]

I will get:

Auteur	Contenu	Hashtags	Hashtag
Bob	I love #Spark and #bigdata	[Spark, bigdata]	Spark
Bob	I love #Spark and #bigdata	[Spark, bigdata]	bigdata
Alice	Just finished #MHrise, best MH ever	[MHrise]	MHrise

All this function must be imported first:

```
1 | from pyspark.sql.functions import split, explode, size, array_contains
```

Do not forget, to create a new column, you should use withcolumn(). For example:

```
1 df.withColumn("new column", explode("array"))
```

⚠ Hands-on 4 - Array manipulation

- Keep all the tweets with hashtags and for each remaining line, split the hashtag text into an array of hashtags
- Create a new column with the number of words of the contenu column. (Use split() + size())
- Count how many tweet contain the COVID19 hashtag (use the count() action)

4 User defined function

For more very specific column manipulation you will need Spark's udf() function (*User Defined Function*). It can be useful if you Spark does not provide a feature you want. But Spark is a popular and active project, so before coding an udf, go check the documentation. For instance for natural language processing, Spark already has some <u>functions</u>. Last things, python udf can lead to performance issues (see https://stackoverflow.com/a/38297050) and learning a little bit of scala or java can be a good idea.

For example:

```
# !!!! DOES NOT WORK !!!!
def to_lower_case(string):
    return string.lower()

df.withColumn("tweet_lower_case", to_lower_case(df.contenu))
```

will just crash. Keep in mind that Spark is a distributed system, and that Python is only installed on the central node, as a convenience to let you execute instructions on the executor nodes. But by default, pure Python functions can only be executed where Python is installed! We need udf() to enable Spark to send Python instructions to the worker nodes.

Let us see how it is done:

```
1 # imports
    from pyspark.sql.functions import udf
   from pyspark.sql.functions import explode
 4 from pyspark.sql.types import StringType
 5
 6 # pure python functions
 7
    def to_lower_case(string):
8
       return string.lower()
9
10 # user definid function
11 to_lower_case_udf = udf(
12
        lambda x: to_lower_case(x), StringType()
    ) #we use a lambda function to create the udf.
13
14
15 | # df manipulation
16 | df_tweet\
     .select("auteur","hashtags")\
17
18
     .filter("size(hashtags)!=0")\
     .withColumn("hashtag", explode("hashtags"))\
19
      .withColumn("hashtag", to_lower_case_udf("hashtag")).show(10)
20
```

Hands-on 5 - User defined function

• Create an user defined function that counts how many words a tweet contains. (your function will return an IntegerType and not a StringType)

器Aggregation functions

Spark offer a variety of aggregation functions:

- count(column: string) will count every not null value of the specify column. You cant use count(1) of count("*") to count every line (even row with only null values)
- countDisctinct(column : string) and approx_count_distinct(column : string, percent_error: float). If the exact number is irrelevant, approx_count_distinct() should be preferred.

Counting distinct elements cannot be done in parallel, and need a lot data transfer. But if you only need an approximation, there is a algorithm, named hyper-log-log (more info here) that can be parallelized.

```
from pyspark.sql.functions import count, countDistinct,
approx_count_distinct

df.select(count("col1")).show()
df.select(countDistinct("col1")).show()
df.select(approx_count_distinct("col1"), 0.1).show()
```

You have access to all other common functions min(), max(), first(), last(), sum(), sumDistinct(), avg() etc (you should import them first from pyspark.sql.functions import min, max, avg, first, last, sum, sumDistinct)

Hands-on 6 - Aggregation functions

- What are the min, max, average of interaction_count
- How many tweets have hashtags? Distinct hashtags? Try the approximative count with 0.1 and 0.01as maximum estimation error allowed.

BGrouping functions

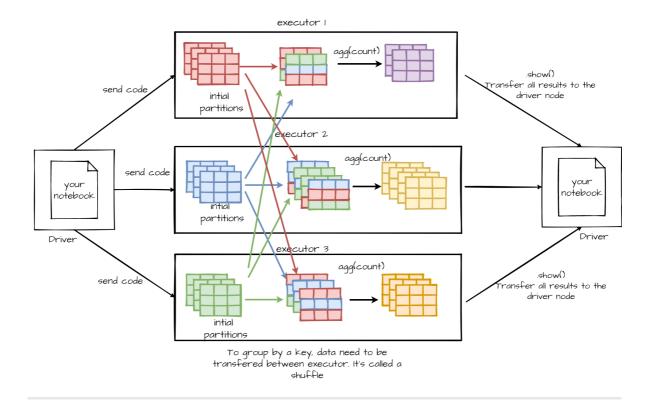
Like SQL you can group row by a criteria with Spark. Just use the <code>groupBy(column : string)</code> method. Then you can compute some aggregation over those groups.

```
df.groupBy("col1").agg(
count("col2").alias("quantity") # alias is use to specify the name of the new column
).show()
```

The agg() method can take multiples argument to compute multiple aggregation at once.

```
df.groupBy("col1").agg(
count("col2").alias("quantity"), min("col2").alias("min"),
avg("col3").alias("avg3") ).show()
```

Aggregation and grouping transformations work differently than the previous method like filter(), select(), withcolumn() etc. Those transformations cannot be run over each partitions in parallel, and need to transfer data between partitions and executors. They are called "wide transformations"



Hands-on 7 - Grouping functions

• Compute a daframe with the min, max and average retweet of each auteur. Then order it by the max number of retweet in descending order by . To do that you can use the following syntax

```
from pyspark.sql.functions import desc
df.orderBy(desc("col"))
```

🗞 Spark SQL

Spark understand SQL statement. It's not a hack nor a workaround to use SQL in Spark, it's one a the more powerful feature in Spark. To use SQL in you need :

1. Register a view pointing to your DataFrame. In SQL statement you will refer to your DataFrame with its view name

```
1 | my_df.createOrReplaceTempView(viewName : str)
```

2. Use the sql function

```
1 spark.sql("""
2 You sql statment
3 """)
```

You could manipulate every registered DataFrame by their view name with plain SQL. For instance

```
df_tweet.createOrReplaceTempView("small_tweet_df")
spark.sql("""
SELECT *
FROM small_tweet_df
""")
```

In fact you can do most of this tutorial without any knowledge in PySpark nor Spark. Lot of things can be done in Sparkk only by only knowing SQL and how to use it in Spark.

Hands-on 8 - Spark SQL

- How many tweets have hashtags? Distinct hashtags?
- Compute a dataframe with the min, max and average retweet of each auteur using Spark SQL

Joins in Spark

Like a SQL, Spark can join two dataset by comparing the value of one or more keys using joins. Joins are by nature wide transformation, so data will be transferred between executors and will take time. But Spark will distinct two cases:

- Big table to big table join
- Big table to small table join
- (The case small table to small table is irrelevant for big data)

And optimize the join according to the actual case. (For more information Spark: The Definitive Guide pages 148 - 151)

Doing a join is pretty easy. You need:

- At least two DataFrames (obviously) with columns with the same keys
- a join expression
- the join transformation

For instance:

```
# Creation of 3 small DF
 2
    person=spark.createDataFrame([
        (0, "Bill Chambers", 0, [100])
 3
        ,(1,"Matei Zaharia",1,[500,250,100])
 4
 5
        ,(2,"Michael Armbrust",1,[250,100])])\
 6
        .toDF("id", "name", "graduate_program", "spark_status")
 7
    graduateProgram=spark.createDataFrame([
        (0, "Masters", "School of Information", "UC Berkeley")
 8
9
        ,(2,"Masters","EECS","UC Berkeley"),(1,"Ph.D.","EECS","UC Berkeley")])\
10
        .toDF("id","degree","department","school")
11
    sparkStatus=spark.createDataFrame([
        (500, "Vice President")
12
13
        ,(250,"PMC Member")
14
        ,(100,"Contributor")])\
        .toDF("id","status")
15
16
    # A join expression
17
18
    joinExpression=person["graduate_program"]==graduateProgram['id']
19
    # The join transformation in action
20
```

By default Spark compute inner joins, but you can pass a third argument to the join transformation with its type. You can do:

- Inner joins: by default or with the "inner" argument
- Outer joins: "outer" argument
- Left / right outer joins : "left_outer", "right_outer" argument
- Left semi join: it's more a filter than a join. It only keep the row in the left DataFrame that have a match in the right DataFrame. Use he "left_semi" argument
- Left anti join: The opposite of the previous one. Use he "left_anti" argument
- You can do cross joins to, but it's a very bad idea to do so, so please don't!

Hands-on 9 - Joins in Spark

 Import the files stored in s3n://spark-lab-input-data-ensai20202021/users/ in a DataFrame and its informations to your DataFrame. Filter your new DataFrame to only keep verified user (verified == True) and group by user and get the most active user of your DataFrame.

This time you will use a user defined schema to load your data, and pass it to the json() method with the schema parameter. Here is the schema of the user data:

```
1 | from pyspark.sql.types import StructType, StructField, StringType,
    IntegerType, ArrayType, TimestampType, BooleanType
 2
    schema = StructType([ \
 3
        StructField("created_at", TimestampType(), True), \
 4
        StructField("id",StringType(),True), \
 5
        StructField("name",StringType(),True), \
        StructField("username", StringType(), True), \
 6
 7
        StructField("withheld",StructType([
8
            StructField("country_codes", ArrayType(StringType(),True)),\
9
            StructField("scope", StringType(), True) \
10
        ])),
        StructField("verified", BooleanType(), True)
11
12
      1)
```

• Filter the data to only keep tweets create by user create after 2019. You can use to_date(lit("2019-01-01")) and a filter() transformation to do so.

```
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```

replication is enforced, intersections between blocks are not necessarily empty. However, the union of all the blocks do produce the full original set. $\underline{\underline{e}}$

2. (first) is exactly (first) and show prints the result instead of returning it as a list of rows (first) (first)